

LIABLE TO INUNDATION.

Major Baskin Discusses the Strong Probabilities of Spring Floods.

He Urges the Adoption of the System Used by Early Administrations and Gives Reasons Therefor.

Major Baskin sent the following to the members of the City Council last night: "My attention having been called to the fact that the filling up of a portion of the Eighth West street canal and the removal of quantity of earth in the mountains east of the city east of the Jordan river, in the vicinity of said canal very likely to be followed when the annual floods occur, at the request of property owners who would be great sufferers if such a disaster should happen, I recently visited the ground. Upon investigation I find that for the purpose of preventing the flooding of the low grounds west of the river, which in earlier days was the cause of much damage and inconvenience to the inhabitants and owners of land in that vicinity, the following system was adopted by the early administrators of the city, to-wit: The erection of levees on the banks of the Jordan of sufficient height to contain the water of the stream when the head rises above the points where the waters of the above streams, to-wit, the Jordan, Mill Creek and the Weber, meet; the banks of these streams were intended to be built down when the water of this river should rise above the level of the adjacent country, so as to contain the flow within the levees. The effect of containing down these streams was to divert them into the river until a level above the surrounding land was reached, and as before such level could be reached the water of these streams would overflow and inundate the valley as effectively as if the river had not been confined, to meet this difficulty canals were constructed to the northward and the most important was the one that was started near the mouth of the river, off the water street, leading off the water street into the streams when the head rises in times of high water were shut down. The appliances thus provided were computed for the accommodation of the desired end. In the City Council meeting held the 15th of April, 1851, the first report of the city engineer against doing any of the Eighth West street canal, from a point where it leaves the Water street, to the mouth of the Jordan, was presented to the present administration, at the crossing of the intersecting streets, the city has filled up "the canal, and the current of the adjacent blocks through which the same passes in its course, has been diverted into the canal. This has destroyed the utility of said canal and rendered useless the system adopted to meet the contingency of future floods."

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The Redistricting Scheme.

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BLAKE TO RITE.

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